Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 22 May 2009

Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 STATE 179433
ORIGIN SS-25

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 SSO-00 /026 R

DRAFTED BY ARA:ECA:RELTZ:LK
APPROVED BY ARA:ECA:RWZIMMERMANN
ARA:FJDEVINE
S/S:TGMARTIN
S:WTWADDELL
----------019099 301855Z /45
O 301841Z JUL 77
FM SECSTATE WASHDC
TO AMEMBASSY BRASILIA IMMEDIATE

C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 179433

EXDIS

E.O. 11652:GDS

TAGS: PGOV, SHUM, OVIP (VANCE, CYRUS), BR

SUBJECT:LETTERS TO THE SECRETARY FROM BRAZILIAN FOREIGN MINISTER SILVEIRA

1. FOLLOWING PARAGRAPHS PROVIDE TEXTS (UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATIONS) OF TWO LETTERS TO THESECRETARY FROM FOREIGN MINISTER SILVEIRA, DELIVERED BY BRAZILIAN EMBASSY ON JULY 28.

2. BEGIN TEXT: BRASILIA, JULY 26, 1977: MY DEAR MR. SECRETARY: AS I RETURNED TO BRASILIA YESTERDAY, AF;ER A TRIP TO THE INTERIOR OF THE STATE OF SAO PAULO, I WAS ABLE TO READ YOUR LETTER OF JULY 20, DELIVERED TO ITAMARATY ON JULY 22. BASED ON MY STATEMENT IN A LETTER I SENT TO YOU ON JUNE 22ND (CONCERNING OUR PREFERENCE FO; "FORMS OF POSITIVE AND VOLUNTARY COOPERATION, AS OPPOSED TO FORCED
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 STATE 179433

INVESTIGATIVE ACTIONS") YOU ASK ME TO INTERCEDE BEFORE THE PARAGUAYAN GOVERNMENT SO THAT IT WILL AGREE ON A VISIT BY THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS.

3. AS YOU KNOW, ONE OF THE CARDINAL POINTS OF BRAZIL'S FOREIGN POLICY IS NONINTERFERENCE IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF OTHER STATES, WHICH IS ALSO IN KEEPING WITH THE PRECEPTS

Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 22 May 2009

Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 22 May 2009

OF THE CHARTER OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES, ARTICLE 18. BRAZIL, WHICH ENJOYS THE EXPERIENCE OF LIVING TOGETHER WITH TEN NEIGHBORING, FRIENDLY COUNTRIES, HAS IN THE UNRESTRICTED RESPECT FOR THE INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL AFFAI,S OF EA-H ONE OF THEM THE TOUCHSTONE OF ITS GOOD RELATIONS ON THE CONTINENT. ONE IMPORTANT RESULT OF THIS ATTITUDE ON THE PART OF BRAZIL IS THE FACT THAT IT AB-STAINS FROM ADOPTING TOWARDS OTHERS ANY TYPE OF BEHAVIOR IT DEEMS UNACCEPTABLE IN OTHERS.

4. THUS, I FEEL I AM NOT IN A POSITION TO COMPLY WITH YOUR REQUEST AND FURTHERMORE, THIS IS IN KEEPING WITH THE STANCE I HAVE PUBLICLY EXPRESSED ON THE MATTER, AT THE RECENT GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES IN GRENADA, A STANCE I HAVE ALSO EXPOUNDED TO YOU ON JUNE 22. AS YOU YOURSELF QUOTE IN YOUR LETTER, WHAT WE ACCEPT ARE "FORMS OF POSITIVE AND VOLUNTARY COOPERATION" (SINCE WE DO NOT BELEVE ONE COULD RECOGNIZE THE RIGHT OF ANY STATE OR GROUP OF STATES TO JUDGE OTHER STATES), AND, AS I UNDERSTAND IT, THIS EXCLUDES THE POSSIBILITY OF MY UNDERTAKING ANY DIPLOMATIC STEPS ON THE MATTER.

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

5. MY VERY BEST WISHES ACCOMPANY YOUR ENDEAVORS AT THE STATE DEPARTMENT. VERY SINCERELY YOURS, ANTONIO F. AZEREDO DA SILVEIRA. END TEXT.

6. BEGIN TEXT: BRASILIA, JULY 27, 1977, MY DEAR MR. SECRETARY: I TAKE PLEASURE IN ACKNOWLEDGNG RECEIPT OF YOUR LETTER TODAY, THROUGH THE UNITED STATES EMBASSY IN BRASILIA, IN WHICH, PURSUAN; TO ;HE UND:RS;AN;ING WE REACHED IN 6RENADA ON YOUR FORTHCOMING VISIT TO BRASILIA, WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF CONSULTATIONS SET UP BY THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING, YOU PROPOSE OCTOBER 28 AND 29, 1977 AS APPROPRIATE DATES.

7. IN REPLY, I AM PLEASED YO SAY THAT I AM IN TOTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE DATES YOU HAVE SUGGESTED.

8. I LOOK FORWARD TO THE PLEASURE OF SEEING YOU AGAIN IN NEW YORK, ON THE OCCASION OF THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY. PLEASE CONVEY TO MRS. VANCE THAT MAY AND I WILL BE EXTREMELY HAPPY TO RECEIVE BOTH OF YOU IN BRASILIA. ANTONIO F. AZEREDO DA SILVEIRA. END TEXT. VANCE

Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 22 May 2009

Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 22 May 2009

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 STATE 179433
ORIGIN SS-15

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 SSO-00 /016 R

66011
DRAFTED BY: ARA/ECA:RELTZ
APPROVED BY: ARA/ECA:RWZIMMERMANN
ARA:JKEANE
S:GMITCHELL (PHONE)
S/S-O:RLHART
----------059633 170134Z /63
O 160105Z AUG 77
FM SECSTATE WASHDC
TO AMEMBASSY ASUNCION IMMEDIATE

C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 179433

EXDIS

FOLLOWING REPEAT STATE 179433 SENT ACTION BRASILIA 30 JUL 77

QUOTE C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 179433

EXDIS

E.O. 11652:GDS

TAGS: PGOV, SHUM, OVIP (VANCE, CYRUS), BR

SUBJECT:LETTERS TO THE SECRETARY FROM BRAZILIAN FOREIGN
MINISTER SILVEIRA

1. FOLLOWING PARAGRAPHS PROVIDE TEXTS (UNOFFICIAL
TRANSLATIONS) OF TWO LETTERS TO THESECRETARY FROM FOREIGN
MINISTER SILVEIRA, DELIVERED BY BRAZILIAN EMBASSY ON
JULY 28.

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 STATE 179433

Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 22 May 2009

Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 22 May 2009

2. BEGIN TEXT: BRASILIA, JULY 26, 1977: MY DEAR MR. SECRETARY: AS I RETURNED TO BRASILIA YESTERDAY, AF;ER A TRIP TO THE INTERIOR OF THE STATE OF SAO PAULO, I WAS ABLE TO READ YOUR LETTER OF JULY 20, DELIVERED TO ITAMARATY ON JULY 22. BASED ON MY STATEMENT IN A LETTER I SENT TO YOU ON JUNE 22ND (CONCERNING OUR PREFERENCE FO; "FORMS OF POSITIVE AND VOLUNTARY COOPERATION, AS OPPOSED TO FORCED INVESTIGATIVE ACTIONS") YOU ASK ME TO INTERCEDE BEFORE THE PARAGUAYAN GOVERNMENT SO THAT IT WILL AGREE ON A VISIT BY THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS.

3. AS YOU KNOW, ONE OF THE CARDINAL POINTS OF BRAZIL'S FOREIGN POLICY IS NONINTERFERENCE IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF OTHER STATES, WHICH IS ALSO IN KEEPING WITH THE PRECEPTS

OF THE CHARTER OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES, ARTICLE 18. BRAZIL, WHICH ENJOYS THE EXPERIENCE OF LIVING TOGETHER WITH TEN NEIGHBORING, FRIENDLY COUNTRIES, HAS IN THE UNRESTRICTED RESPECT FOR THE INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL AFFAI,S OF EA-H ONE OF THEM THE TOUCHSTONE OF ITS GOOD RELATIONS ON THE CONTINENT. ONE IMPORTANT RESULT OF THIS ATTITUDE ON THE PART OF BRAZIL IS THE FACT THAT IT AB-STAINS FROM ADOPTING TOWARDS OTHERS ANY TYPE OF BEHAVIOR IT DEEMS UNACCEPTABLE IN OTHERS.

4. THUS, I FEEL I AM NOT IN A POSITION TO COMPLY WITH YOUR REQUEST AND FURTHERMORE, THIS IS IN KEEPING WITH THE STANCE I HAVE PUBLICLY EXPRESSED ON THE MATTER, AT THE RECENT GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES IN GRENADA, A STANCE I HAVE ALSO EXPOUNDED TO YOU ON JUNE 22. AS YOU YOURSELF QUOTE IN YOUR LETTER, WHAT WE ACCEPT ARE "FORMS OF POSITIVE AND VOLUNTARY COOPERATION" (SINCE WE DO NOT BELEVE ONE COULD RECOGNIZE CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 03 STATE 179433

THE RIGHT OF ANY STATE OR GROUP OF STATES TO JUDGE OTHER STATES), AND, AS I UNDERSTAND IT, THIS EXCLUDES THE POSSIBILITY OF MY UNDERTAKING ANY DIPLOMATIC STEPS ON THE MATTER.

5. MY VERY BEST WISHES ACCOMPANY YOUR ENDEAVORS AT THE STATE DEPARTMENT. VERY SINCERELY YOURS, ANTONIO F. AZEREDO DA SILVEIRA. END TEXT.

6. BEGIN TEXT: BRASILIA, JULY 27, 1977, MY DEAR MR. SECRETARY: I TAKE PLEASURE IN ACKNOWLEDGNG RECEIPT OF YOUR LETTER TODAY, THROUGH THE UNITED STATES EMBASSY IN BRASILIA, IN WHICH, PURSUAN; TO ;HE UND:RS;AN;ING WE REACHED IN 6RENADA ON YOUR FORTHCOMING VISIT TO BRASILIA, WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF CONSULTATIONS SET UP BY THE

Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 22 May 2009

Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 22 May 2009

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING, YOU PROPOSE OCTOBER 28 AND 29, 1977 AS APPROPRIATE DATES.

7. IN REPLY, I AM PLEASED YO SAY THAT I AM IN TOTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE DATES YOU HAVE SUGGESTED.

8. I LOOK FORWARD TO THE PLEASURE OF SEEING YOU AGAIN IN NEW YORK, ON THE OCCASION OF THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY. PLEASE CONVEY TO MRS. VANCE THAT MAY AND I WILL BE EXTREMELY HAPPY TO RECEIVE BOTH OF YOU IN BRASILIA. ANTONIO F. AZEREDO DA SILVEIRA. END TEXT. VANCE

UNQUOTE VANCE

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 22 May 2009

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: Z
Capture Date: 01-Jan-1994 12:00:00 am
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: HUMAN RIGHTS, DIPLOMATIC COMMUNICATIONS, VISITS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Sent Date: 30-Jul-1977 12:00:00 am
Decaption Date: 22 May 2009
Decaption Note: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 22 May 2009
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1977STATE179433
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: ECA:RELTZ:LK
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Expiration:
Film Number: D770274-0334
Format: TEL
From: STATE
Handling Restrictions:
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1977/newtext/t1977071/aaaaaakp.tel
Line Count: 237
Litigation Code IDs:
Litigation Codes:
Litigation History:
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Message ID: 86e58662-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Office: ORIGIN SS
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: EXDIS
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 5
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: EXDIS
Reference: n/a
Retention: 0
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 06-Dec-2004 12:00:00 am
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review Media Identifier:
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
SAS ID: 1717613
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: LETTERS TO THE SECRETARY FROM BRAZILIAN FOREIGN MINISTER SILVEIRA
TAGS: PGOV, SHUM, OVIP, PSDC, BR, PA, IAHRC, (VANCE, CYRUS), (AZEREDO DA SILVEIRA, ANTONIO F)
To: BRASILIA
Type: TE
vdkvgwkey: odbc://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS_Docs/86e58662-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Review Markings:
Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
22 May 2009
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 22 May 2009